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ON THE MEND: Please keep the following parishioners and others in your prayers for recovery from their illnesses and injuries: Metropolitan Theodosius [OCA], Archbishop Jovan, Bishop Robert, Father John Harvey, Father Jakiw Norton, Father Dragan Filipović, Father Paul Stoll, Father Igor Soroka, Father Joseph Kopchak, Father Elias Warnke, Father Nestor Kowal, Father George Yatsko, Father Paul Bigelow, Father Emilian Balan, Father John Nakonachny, Father Steve Repa, Protopresbyter William Diakiw, Archpriest Dionysi Vitali, Protodeacon Joseph Hotrovich, Father Adam Yonitch, Pani-Dobrodijka Sonia Diakiw, Father Paisius McGrath, Father Michael Smolynec, Joshua Agosto and his family, Eva Malesnick, Stella Peanoske, Nick Behun, Grace Holupka, Virginia Bryan, Joseph Sliwinsky, Gary & Linda Mechtly, Mary Mochnick, Evelyn Misko, Jeanne Boehing, Alex Drobot, Rachelle, Jane Golofski, Doug Diller, Harry Krewsun, Mary Alice Babcock, Dorie Kunkle, Andrea, & Melissa [Betty O'Masta's relatives], Mary Evelyn King, Sam Wadrose, Isabella Olivia Lindgren, Ethel Thomas, Donna, Erin, Michael Miller, Grace & Owen Ostrasky, Patti Sinecki, David Genshi, Sue Segeleon, Mike Gallagher, Liz Stumpf, Theodore Nixon, Michelle Corba Kapeluck, Linda Hippert & family, Margaret Vladimir, Luke Emmerling, John Sheliga, George Rocknage, Robert McKivitz, Liz Obradovich, Halyna Zelinska [Bishop Daniel's mother], Charlotte, Andrew Mark Olynyk, Deborah Finley, Claire Senita, Eleanor Kelly, Bryan, Nancy Barylak, Patrick Keenan, Khrystyna Chorniy, Anthony Cormier, Nathan Forbeck, Sarah Doyle, Samuel Peters, Jean Stutchell, Esther Holupka, Wanda Mefford, David Vallor, Henry Faraly, Betty O'Masta, Julie Eiler, Dorothy Lednovich, Bob C., Allie—young girl with leukemia, Heather Kramer, Jane Wartinbee, Matthew—21-year-old with cancer, Nicholas Orlando, Mary Ann Kuznik, Michael Woloschak, Michael Pryhodzenko, Sonia Luciw, Theresa Ditto, Mary Ann Musial, Mary Pelino, Yvonne Christy, Myron & Barbara Spak, Julia Duda, Lisa Pandle, Kris & Julie Hanczar, John Kennedy, Loretta, Nancy, Carol, & Michael Sheliga, Gaelle Kelly, Irma McDivitt, Robin Young, Mckayla, Rachel, Carl & Margaret Reed, Lydia Wilson, Robert Pointon, Walter Cecelia, John Persico, Jeff Miller, Mary Kernick, Glenn Miller, Jean Marie, Donna & Walter McCrackin, Bonnie & Eugene Blair [Pani Gina's parents], Mel & Charlotte Malik, David

Hoenshell, Barbara Macino, Shelley Hill, Mikaela Kapeluck, Linda Cawley, Gerald Cogley, Helen Bozo, Corey Guich, Robert Vangrin, Susan "Billie" Mason, Pauline Witkowsky, Sera White, Donald Griffey, Deborah Smith, Nancy & Eric Dunik, Julian Stroz [child with cerebral palsy], Dr. Kirsten Ream, Patricia Corey, Michelle, Katie Swarm, Richard Dunst, Michelle, Patrick, Linda Morris, Howard Simpson, Chris, Pastor Ed Bowen, David Hiles, Karen Johnson, Jennifer, Jerry Quinn, Cher Mount, Frank & Janet Horrell, Jim Wandling, Gail, Sirena Sharp, Ron Paulovich, Fred DeNorscia, Sandi Anderson, Donald Uebing, Sabrina, Shirley, Denny Mader, Ella Campbell, Tom Hyatt, Bill Janiro, Jean Symanko-Andy's sister, William Lemonakis, Barbara McDougall, Alma Wyke, Lindsay Romanczak & family, Virginia Catherine Pynch, Susan Lucas, Neil Carter & family, James Paluh, Mickie Weikel, Evelyn Krempasky, Tammy Strunk, Loida Esbry, Darlene Chicka Deskins, Drew, Alice & Keith Philipa, Kateryna Kocelko, Nancy Heinbaugh, Mira Filipović, Lynn, Jacqueline, Irma Opacic, Sharon, Zan Cheng, Jeff Jones, Kristy, Elaine Ellenberger, Donna Cacioppo [Evelyn's niece], Brandon, Anna Tranchine, Demetra, Blase Urban, Catherine Hogel & children, Jennifer & Dylan, Ron Schwartz, Lydia Wilson, Flora Tomlin, Stella Rossi, Howell Swarm, Jane Bielewicz Allred, Manny "Lazarus" Lopez, Glenn & Lucas Burlack, Katie Elizabeth, Mileva, & Michael, Deirdré Straughan, Terri Paluh, Lori & Steve Lucier, Kyranna Cherpas, Pastor Bruce Nordeen, Millie Koss Good, Heather Ried, Carla Perry, Linda Elliot, Dennis McDaniel, Mike Mangan, Luke Tinsley, Brent, Tricia, Katherine Gorman, Pamela Jaquette, Michael Pawlyshyn, Sherri Walewski, Marika Zeliszczuk, Donna Davis, Jackie Crimbchin, Marta Charron, Mary [Corba], Stella McKeag, Margie Sekelsky, Gary Howell, Fran Fulton, Gina Catanese, Bill Vizza, Jamie Swarm, Kevin Allen (from Ancient Faith Radio). and Ian Brick. ARNOLD: Homer Paul Kline. We pray that God will grant them all a speedy recovery.

In conjunction with Slickville's Centennial Celebration next year, the Centennial Committee is selling tear-off raffle tickets to help finance the celebration and fireworks. Bill Kuznik is the keeper of the tickets which cost \$2 and are sold every week. Please see Bill if you are interested or with any questions. We have a list of winning numbers in the bulletin insert! Fr. Bob

No matter what happens, be patient—the sun should rise again. It always does this.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: All Christians and the others in the Middle East who are suffering during this time of great

tragedy and unrest. May God watch over and keep them safe! Lord have mercy!

Please remember ALL American service men and women in your prayers. May God watch over them and all American service men and women—and bring them all home safely!

REMEMBER—PRAYERS ARE ALWAYS FREE!

Communion Fasting: nothing to eat or drink after midnight, EXCEPT in cases where your doctor tells you to eat or drink something for medical reasons: medication, diabetes, etc. If you have a question, please ask Father Bob.

AT ANY TIME—if there is an emergency, if you have questions, or if you just need to talk, please CALL FATHER BOB at [412] 279-5640.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 09 DIVINE LITURGY OF SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM 10:30 AM
16TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; REPOSE OF THE HOLY APOSTLE &
EVANGELIST JOHN THE THEOLOGIAN**

Tone 7

2 Corinthians 6:1-10; 1 John 4:12-19

Luke 5:1-11; John 19:25-27, 21:24-25

Litany in Blessed Memory of Nicholas & Catherine Behun—the Behun family

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16 DIVINE LITURGY OF SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM 10:30 AM
17TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; HIEROMARTYR DIONYSIUS THE AREOPAGITE
& WITH HIM MARTYRS RUSTICUS & ELEUTHERIUS; VENERABLE JOHN THE
CHOZEBITE-BISHOP OF CAESAREA IN PALESTINE; BLESSED HESYCHIUS THE
SILENT OF MOUNT HOREB; VENERABLE DIONYSIUS-RECLUSE OF PERCHEVSKY**

LAVRA

Tone 8

2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1

Luke 6:31-36

Litany in Blessed Memory of Anna Marie Siclare—Fr. Bob

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23 DIVINE LITURGY OF SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM 10:30 AM
18TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; COMMEMORATION OF THE HOLY FATHERS OF
THE 7TH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL; MARTYRS EULAMPIUS & EULAMPRIA; MARTYR
THEOTECNUS OF ANTIOCH; SAINT BASSIAN OF CONSTANTINOPLE; SAINT
THEOPHILUS THE CONFESSOR OF BULGARIA; SAINT AMPHYLOCHIUS-BISHOP
OF VLADIMIR-VOLYN; SYNAXIS OF THE SAINTS OF VOLYN**

Tone 1

2 Corinthians 9:6-11; Hebrews 13:7-16

Luke 7:11-16; John 17:1-13

Litany in Blessed Memory of Stancy Popichak—Fr. Bob

BULLETIN INSERT FOR 09 OCTOBER 2016

**16TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; REPOSE OF THE HOLY APOSTLE &
EVANGELIST JOHN THE THEOLOGIAN**

TROPARION—TONE 7

By Thy Cross, Thou didst destroy death!
To the thief, Thou didst open Paradise!
For the Myrrhbearers, Thou didst change weeping into joy.
And Thou didst command Thy disciples, O Christ God,
To proclaim that Thou art risen, granting the world great mercy!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever,
and unto ages of ages. Amen.

KONTAKION—TONE 7

The dominion of death can no longer hold men captive,
For Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers!
Hell is bound, while the prophets rejoice and cry:
The Savior has come to those in faith!
Enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection!

PROKEIMENON—TONE 7

READER: The Lord shall give strength to His people! The Lord shall bless
His people with peace!

PEOPLE: **The Lord shall give strength to His people! The Lord shall
bless His people with peace!**

READER: Offer to the Lord, O you sons of God! Offer young rams to the
Lord!

PEOPLE: **The Lord shall give strength to His people! The Lord shall
bless His people with peace!**

READER: The Lord shall give strength to His people!

PEOPLE: **The Lord shall bless His people with peace!**

ALLELUIA VERSES—TONE 7

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Thy name, O Most
High!

To declare Thy mercy in the morning, and Thy truth by night!

Hieromartyr Dionysius the Areopagite

He is mentioned in Acts 17:19-34. He was a learned Athenian, a member of the Athenian court on Mars Hill (Areos Pagos in Greek, from which the title 'Areopagite' comes). At the time of Christ's crucifixion, he was studying in Egypt and saw the sky darkened there for three hours when Christ breathed His last. He later married and had several children. When St Paul preached in Athens, Dionysius was among the first to believe, and became either the first (according to some) Bishop of Athens, or the second, succeeding St Hierotheos (commemorated tomorrow, October 4). With St Hierotheos he was present at the Dormition of the Mother of God. He received a martyr's end in his old age, possibly in Athens. He is the author of several famous works of mystical theology, including On the Divine Names.

During the lifetime of the Mother of God, St Dionysius had journeyed from Athens to Jerusalem to meet Her. He wrote to his teacher the Apostle Paul: "I witness by God, that besides the very God Himself, there is nothing else filled with such divine power and grace. No one can fully comprehend what I saw. I confess before God: when I was with John, who shone among the Apostles like the sun in the sky, when I was brought before the countenance of the Most Holy Virgin, I experienced an inexpressible sensation. Before me gleamed a sort of divine radiance which transfixed my spirit. I perceived the fragrance of indescribable aromas and was filled with such delight that my very body became faint, and my spirit could hardly endure these signs and marks of eternal majesty and heavenly power. The grace from her overwhelmed my heart and shook my very spirit. If I did not have in mind your instruction, I should have mistaken Her for the very God. It is impossible to stand before greater blessedness than this which I beheld."

"The holy canons dictate that Christians should spend the eves of feast days in prayer and with reverence in preparation for participation or attendance at the Divine Liturgy. If all Orthodox Christians are called to this, then this pertains all the more to those who take an active part in the church services

itself. Their participation in diversions on the eve of a feast day is especially sinful. In view of the above, those who attend a dance or similar form of entertainment and diversion may not participate in the choir the next day, may serve in the alter, enter the alter or stand on the cliros." - *St. John the Wonderworker of Shanghai and San Francisco*



(Saturday, October 1)

"Blessed are the pure/clean in heart (οἱ καθαροὶ τῆ καρδίᾳ): for they shall see God." (Mt 5: 8)

I tend to dismiss this verse every time I hear it, as if Christ did not say it to regular, complicated mortals like me. But He did. He is saying a simple thing to complicated people: You can, and shall, "see God" in all things, in all situations, He says, if you clear away the various wreckage in your heart, which is blocking your vision. Because God is not "hiding" from me. It is the other way around.

Today let me take a bit of time to "clean house." Let me take a quiet moment to note any resentments and self-centered fears I may be lugging around in my heart, and open up to God's presence amidst it all. I note where I stand today, and where I fall, with gratitude for the people, places and things God is bringing me. As I re-connect with Him this morning in a

bit of prayer, I let God show me what He wants me to see on this cross-carrying journey: Himself. Glory be to Him.

Each person has his own particular path to salvation. One must not set a common path for everyone; one must not try to work out a formula for salvation which would apply to all people. People are born with different natures, different abilities, intellects and constitutions - so, too, they each go towards Christ at their own pace, each on his own path. Because of this Christianity considers equally soul-saving the chaste monastic life and marital life, the priesthood and laity, the rank of soldier and the rank of judge - as long as Christ dwells in the heart... And the task of an elder or a spiritual father, is to uncover a person's calling and to point out to him the path which he should take towards the Lord. - *Archpriest Alexy Mechev of Moscow*

UPDATE ON SLICKVILLE TICKET WINNERS:

Congratulations to Pani Gina, who won the Friday drawing on September 30 with #570.

There are still THREE WINNING TICKETS that have not been claimed:

08/12/2016 #502

09/09/2016 #295

09/16/2016 #320

Check your tickets and contact Bill Kuznik if you have a winning ticket!

Remember, the tickets are the main way to finance the fireworks display for the Slickville Centennial Celebration next August.

More details will be forthcoming—please check the Centennial website for more information: <http://slickville100.com>

REMINDERS: Father Bob will be attending the Sobor in South Bound Brook, NJ, from October 18th through the 22nd. We will have services on October 16th and 23rd upstairs, and our end-of-the-month downstairs services resume on October 30th. Please

pass this on to your friends and parishioners who are unable to get up our steep steps!